IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Lee, et al. Confirmation No.: 2581

Serial No.: 10/529,169 Group Art Unit: 1648

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For: NOVEL FULL-LENGTH GENOMIC RNA OF JAPANESE

ENCEPHALITIS VIRUS, INFECTIOUS JEV CDNA THEREFROM, AND

USE THEREOF

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2009. The three month shortened statutory period for response expired on March 15, 2010, which is extended to May 15, 2010 by a Petition for a two-month Extension of Time submitted herewith. Accordingly, this response is timely submitted.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, further and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

A *Conclusion* begins on page 24 of this paper.